

TORRANCE-LOMITA FIELD LARGEST IN CALIFORNIA SAYS MARSH CO. PAMPHLET

In an interesting brochure entitled "Oil Royalty," Robert Marsh and company, the largest dealers in oil royalties in the state, now operating in the Torrance field, give unusual prominence to the Torrance-Lomita field.

Copies of this interesting pamphlet may be secured upon request at the company's Arlington street office or at 200 Marsh-Strong building, Los Angeles.

The company's announcement concerning the Torrance-Lomita field follows in part:

"The eyes of the Petroleum World are on the Torrance-Lomita field, located just 16 miles due south of the heart of Los Angeles. Most of the big operators are rushing into the Torrance field for drilling operations and to secure holdings.

"The known proven area of Torrance is the largest oil field of them all. Four times that of Santa Fe Springs—ten times that of Signal Hill—four times that of Huntington Beach. It already embraces over 6000 acres of ground of definitely proven oil territory. This is larger than the combined total area of Santa Fe Springs, Signal Hill and the Huntington Beach oil fields. Frequent bringing in of outpost (try-out or "wildcat") wells is constantly widening the area of the known pool of subterranean oil.

"Not a single dry well had been drilled in the Torrance-Lomita field up to November 1, 1923, which is a remarkably unusual showing. The general average in Southern California's three other big fields has been about 95 per cent producers (only 5 per cent dry holes)—but here in this new Torrance field we have

up to this time a 100 per cent showing.

"The very first well drilled in this field (Chanslor-Canfield Midway Oil Co.) was put on production June 5, 1922. Leases of considerable extent were then secured by the Union Oil Co., General Petroleum Corp., Standard Oil Co., Petroleum Midway Co., the Shell Co., Amalgamated Oil Co., Hillerton Oil Co. Today there are 241 derricks up, of which 91 have gone up in the past thirty days. Sixty-eight wells are already producing. One year ago there were but 16 rigs in the entire field and only one producer east of the western limits of the town of Torrance.

The field (proven area) is now known to be about six miles in length.

Torrance enjoys several strata of oil sands. The first oil zone may be encountered 900 feet below the top of the Puente. It is reported as being about 600 feet thick at one end of the field and about 400 feet thick at the other end. The belief is entertained by oil men that extraordinary oil sands will be reached at greater depths, which would make this field unprecedented beyond greatest conjectures.

The oil of the Torrance-Lomita field ranges from 25 to 28 gravity—is claimed to be rich in lubricants. The wells are showing a very small rate of decline from initial production in comparison with other Southern California wells.

"In fact—the longevity or life of this field promises to be unusually long.

"The daily production in barrels of the Torrance field passed the 40,000 mark on November 27, 1923, and it

is conservative to say that the 75,000 mark will be reached by the first of January. What this field will produce one year from today would be hard to estimate today. The Santa Fe Springs field produced a daily average of 30,227 barrels for the entire year of 1922. This August it produced 335,000 barrels per day.

"It begins to look to those who make the study of oil a profession as though the Torrance-Lomita field might prove to be the very center of the great Los Angeles oil basin. Enthusiasm is at highest pitch. Operators are flocking to Torrance. The state mining bureau is granting more drilling permits for the Torrance field than for all the rest of the state combined."

Standard Filling Station For Carson And Cabrillo Sts.

Recognizing the growth of Torrance and its increasing importance, the Standard Oil company has leased the southwest corner of Cabrillo and Carson streets and will erect an attractive filling station there at once.

New Welding Co. Operating Here

Among the recent shops added to the Torrance-Lomita oil field is a very modern welding plant erected at 2902 Arlington street by Scofield & Gallman, which was opened for business Monday.

Both members of the firm come to Torrance from Taft. Glen L. Scofield was a welding foreman for the Standard Oil company at Taft, and J. W. Gallman was a driller for the Standard at Taft. They will do general welding and oil field repair work.

First Holiday Window Display

The first Christmas window display in Torrance for the coming holiday season is the attractive display in the "Hardware" Reeve store windows. A toy automobile to be given away free on Saturday evening, Dec. 22, is featured, and it is surrounded by hundreds of other toys for the kiddies and useful things for the grown-ups.

WRENS ENTERTAIN

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Wren entertained Thursday evening with a Thanksgiving dinner at their home on Brethren street the following guests: J. H. Pickering of Lomita, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Meade and Joe Laventhal of Los Angeles, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Woods, Will Woods and Miss Gladys Woods of Watts, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Taber and daughters Maude and Mary of Moneta, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Perkins of Torrance.

TORRANCE NOTES

Guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Tomkins of Gramercy avenue were Ulus Hall of Marshfield, Ill., and Mrs. O. E. Gregory of San Bernardino.

Thanksgiving dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Don Rader were Mrs. William Hedges of Los Angeles, Mrs. Marilla Jones of Arlington avenue, and Miss Lois Jones of Fresno.

KEEP BUSY

I haven't time to sit and whine
Or watch the weeds a growing,
I'm busy singing songs of cheer
While deeds of good I'm sowing;
I haven't time to kick and fuss
Or waste a precious minute,
I want to make the most of life
The little while I'm in it.

I haven't time for worrying;
The past is dead and gone,
I'm busy every moment
Making life a happy song;
Oh, I know the world's not perfect
And there's lots that I can do
But my big job as I see it
Is to make my light shine true.

There's a lot of time that's wasted
Over foolish fears and strife,
We could use in spreading sunshine
Clearing up the ills of life;
We can have our taste of heaven
Here and now if we'll begin
To clear our heart of all that's wrong
So love can dwell within.
HARRY GAMBICHLER.

San Pedro, Calif.,
Nov. 27, 1923.

Mr. J. A. Phillips,
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Torrance, San Pedro, Redondo.

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San Pedro, Calif.

ATTEND DINNER

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Turner of Occidental boulevard, Los Angeles, was the scene of a beauti-

fully appointed dinner Tuesday evening. The guest of honor was Mrs. Rawley of New York city. Covers were laid for the honoree and Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Parks, Mrs. Zada Hastie

and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Fess, of Torrance; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stone of Athens-on-the-Hill, and the host and hostess.



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